

Deaf and a former President of the Executives of Schools for the Deaf. He had been honored with degrees from Gallaudet College and from Wake Forest College. He was a rare leader, a great and noble man, and our profession will continue to miss him and long remember him with love and sincere respect.

—W. LAURENS WALKER, *Superintendent South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind*

Dr. Goodwin — The Citizen

(A tribute paid at the Alumni Reunion Banquet)

First of all I want to thank you for inviting me to your banquet tonight and for giving me a place on that part of your program set aside especially to pay tribute to the memory of your friend and mine, Dr. E. McK. Goodwin. Like you, I was privileged to know him as a friend, but I also knew him well as a citizen—a good citizen—in the community in which this institution which he served so long and so faithfully is located.

You have given to me the special assignment of "Dr. Goodwin—the Citizen."

In thinking of what I consider the qualities of good citizenship it occurred to me that the best of them are initialed by the letters of the word C-I-T-I-Z-E-N. And then I thought how strikingly these qualifications of a good citizen were portrayed in the life of Dr. Goodwin.

C, I decided, means *cooperation* and surely that is the first essential of effective good citizenship. It is only by working with others that our civic efforts can count big. Dr. Goodwin understood and practiced cooperation, in his work here and in his efforts in the community.

I for *Integrity*. We say of the high type citizen that he is the "soul of honor", that "his word is his bond". Isn't that the best definition for integrity? Every man, woman or child who knew or had ever had any dealings with Dr. Goodwin felt sure that he would absolutely do

what he thought was right and what he said he would do.

T for *Tolerance*. As I grow older I am convinced that tolerance is one of the rarest and yet one of the finest qualities any citizen can possess. To be able to see the good in others and not to condemn too quickly. Anyone can find fault, but the broad-gauged citizen overlooks many of the shortcomings in fellow human beings. Dr. Goodwin was both tolerant and kind.

I for *Interest*. You are as familiar as I with the fact that Dr. Goodwin had the faculty of concentrating his interest in whatever he undertook. His deep and abiding interest built this school. His interest in any cause for the uplift and betterment of his fellow beings made him a good citizen.

Z for *Zeal*. Nothing was ever done half-heartedly but always with his whole soul. Anything that is worth doing is worth doing well and Dr. Goodwin applied himself zealously. I am sure you will all agree, to his every undertaking.

E for *Energy*. Surely this was one of Dr. Goodwin's outstanding characteristics. A human dynamo. Alert, energetic, even beyond his physical strength. Your mental picture of him perhaps is similar to mine as I see him rushing around. He seemed never to tire.

And for the last letter in the word citizen and perhaps the finest attribute of good citizenship:

N for *Neighborliness*. A good neighbor is friendly, forbearing, kind and thoughtful—not only to the folks next door, but in the broader sense of considering everyone in the community as a neighbor. In Morganton and throughout North Carolina there are hundreds to testify that Dr. Goodwin was a good friend and a good neighbor—an altogether good citizen.

—BEATRICE COBB, *Editor The (Morganton) News-Herald*



E. MCK. GOODWIN, ENDLESS DREAMER
AND INDOMITABLE FIGHTER FOR
NORTH CAROLINA'S DEAF